

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Forrest Mandeville, on January 25, 2017 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Forrest Mandeville, Chair (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. John Fleming (D)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Greef

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joanne Kauzlarich, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 255, 1/18/2017; HJ 5, 1/18/2017 ; HB 296, 1/23/2017
Executive Action: HJ 5

HEARING ON HB 296**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:47 Rep. Denise Hayman (D), HD 66, opened the hearing on HB 296, Study of Montana's hazardous materials response and preparedness.

[EXHIBIT\(sth18a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth18a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:14 Shantil Siaperas, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:08:52 Jan Hoem, Self

00:12:24 Harold Hoem, Self

00:19:49 Edward Barta, Northern Plains Resource Council (NPRC)

00:23:18 Brian Reed, Firefighters of Montana

00:24:20 Virjeana Brown, Self

00:27:42 Robert Filipovich, Northern Plains Resource Council (NPRC)

[EXHIBIT\(sth18a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth18a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth18a05\)](#)

00:38:09 Becky Grey, Self

00:40:41 Julie Holzer, Northern Plains Resource Council (NPRC)

00:43:06 Elma Winberry, Self

00:48:50 Mary Catherine Dunphy, Self

00:54:53 Grant Kubesh, Self

Opponents' Testimony:

00:58:51 Peggy Trenk, Treasure State Resources Association (TSRA)

01:02:11 Alan Olson, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA)

01:04:17 Delia Bruno, Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

01:07:32 Matt Jones, BNSF Railway

01:14:09 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)

Informational Testimony:

01:17:14 Angus Maciver, Legislative Audit Division (LAD)

01:19:00 Jim Lewis, Montana Rail Link (MRL)

[EXHIBIT\(sth18a06\)](#)

01:25:19 Will Rosquist, Public Service Commission (PSC)

01:25:45 Rep. A. Knudsen left the meeting

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:25:53 Rep. McKamey

01:26:55 Rep. Hayman

01:27:01 Rep. McKamey

01:27:34 Delia Bruno, DMA

01:28:55 Rep. Karjala

01:30:52 Robert Filipovich, NPRC

01:31:31 Rep. Karjala

01:31:42 Rep. Hayman

01:33:36 Rep. Karjala
01:33:57 Rep. Hayman
01:35:54 Rep. Bachmeier
01:36:12 Matt Jones, BNSF Railway
01:36:21 Rep. Bachmeier
01:36:53 Matt Jones, BNSF Railway
01:37:24 Rep. Bachmeier
01:37:58 Matt Jones, BNSF Railway
01:38:34 Rep. Garners
01:39:07 Delia Bruno, DMA
01:39:36 Rep. Garner
01:40:02 Delia Bruno, DMA
01:40:50 Rep. McKamey
01:41:33 Matt Jones, BNSF Railway
01:42:50 Rep. Webber
01:43:51 Rep. Hayman
01:43:57 Rep. Staffanson
01:44:36 Rep. Hayman
01:47:24 Rep. Staffanson
01:47:44 Rep. Hayman
01:49:22 Rep. Skees
01:49:48 Rep. Hayman
01:51:51 Rep. Skees
01:52:28 Rep. Hayman
01:52:58 Delia Bruno, DMA
01:54:25 Rep. Skees
01:54:35 Rep. Karjala
01:54:46 Chair Mandeville
01:55:07 Delia Bruno, DMA
01:55:38 Rep. Shaw
01:56:40 Jim Lewis, MRL
01:58:21 Rep. Karjala
01:59:13 Rep. Hayman
02:01:13 Rep. McKamey
02:01:43 Angus Maciver, LAD
02:02:51 Rep. Webber
02:03:24 Matt Jones, BNSF Railway
02:04:59 Chair Mandeville
02:05:15 Rep. Custer
02:05:54 Will Rosquist, PSC
02:07:02 Rep. Skees
02:07:37 Angus Maciver, LAD

Closing by Sponsor:

02:08:44 Rep Hayman

HEARING ON HJ 5

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

02:14:06 Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D), HD 49, opened the hearing on HJ 5, Resolution recognizing the anniversary of the Fort Robinson Breakout.

Proponents' Testimony:

02:21:13 Jason Smith, Indian Affairs
02:22:17 Sen. Lea Whitford
02:26:07 Sen. Jason Small

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:27:48 Rep. McKamey
02:28:07 Chair Mandeville

Closing by Sponsor:

02:28:14 Rep. McCarthy

Motion/Vote: Rep. McKamey moved that **HJ 5 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Greef and Rep. A. Knudsen voted by proxy.

HEARING ON HB 255

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

02:31:11 Rep. Brad Tschida (R), HD 97, opened the hearing on HB 255, Revise laws related to the governor's use of state aircraft.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

02:33:36 Jonathan Motl, Political Practices Commission (COPP)
[EXHIBIT\(sth18a07\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:43:22 Rep. Karjala
02:44:01 Chair Mandeville
02:44:20 Rep. Karjala
02:44:24 Chair Mandeville
02:44:31 Rep. Webb
02:44:56 Rep. Tschida
02:45:37 Rep. Karjala
02:46:07 Jonathan Motl, COPP
02:46:35 Rep. Karjala

02:46:52 Chair Mandeville
02:46:59 Rep. Garner
02:47:10 Rep. Staffanson
02:47:26 Chair Mandeville
02:47:32 Rep. Skees
02:48:14 Jonathan Motl, COPP
02:49:11 Rep. Skees
02:49:38 Jonathan Motl, COPP
02:50:36 Rep. Custer
02:51:14 Jonathan Motl, COPP

Closing by Sponsor:

02:51:34 Rep. Tschida

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:54:23

Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sth18aad.pdf](#))